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### **NEWS RELEASE**

United States Attorney Laurie Magid today announced the filing of a second superseding indictment<sup>1</sup> charging Steven Gilbert and Richard Boykin with conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute marijuana. These charges arose when Gilbert, through his employment as a U.S. Postal letter carrier, received packages containing approximately 57 pounds of marijuana through the U.S. mail and attempted to deliver it. Boykin allegedly assisted Gilbert in picking up the marijuana from various locations in Philadelphia.

The second superseding indictment further charges Gilbert and Boykin with conspiring to steal over \$13,000 through the fraudulent use of government credit cards that Gilbert obtained through his employment as a USPS letter carrier. Gilbert provided government credit cards to Boykin, who used the cards to sell gasoline at various gas stations in and around Philadelphia to others at a reduced price. Gilbert and Boykin allegedly shared in the proceeds earned through these fraudulent credit card transactions.

Gilbert is also charged with accepting a bribe by a public official. Gilbert allegedly used his position as a letter carrier and agreed to deliver Express Mail packages to an individual not identified as the addressee, in exchange for a sum of money.

#### INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	RESIDENCE	AGE
Steven Gilbert	Philadelphia, PA	22
Richard Boykin	Philadelphia, PA	28

If convicted, defendant Gilbert faces a maximum possible sentence of 140 years imprisonment, three years supervised release, a \$3,500,000 fine, and a \$1,400 special assessment.

If convicted, defendant Boykin faces a maximum possible sentence of 15 years imprisonment, 3 years supervised release, a \$500,000 fine, and a \$200 special assessment.

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<sup>1</sup> An indictment is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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The case was investigated by the United States Postal Service, Office of the Inspector General and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Denise S. Wolf.

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